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Guests at Party for Her Daughter
Will Be Programme Girls
at Theatre Benefit.

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After luncheon the young women will all programme at the Selwyn Theatre, where Miss Ruth Page will dance and Mr. Carlos Salzedo will play harp solo for the benefit of the New York Home for Homeless Boys and the Book Committee on Children's Libraries. Mrs. Philip A. S. Franklin and Mrs. John Lewis Griffiths have arranged the entertainment.

Mr. H. Heywood Morrill of 129 East Twenty-second street will give a large dinner in the Plaza ballroom on January 31 to introduce his daughter, Miss Dorothy Morrill.

Mrs. Charles C. Bauer of 931 Park avenue and Mrs. Richard Eyrer will give a dance December 26 for their respective daughters, Misses Neal Bauer and Anne Eyrer. It will be held in the apartment of Mrs. Eyrer at 15 West Sixty-seventh street.

Mrs. Barton Cuyler of 61 East Seventy-second street will give a luncheon to-day at the Plaza for her debutante daughter, Miss Grace Cuyler, and forty of her debutante friends.

MRS. DERBY CALLED IN GRAHAM-HUMES CASE

Helps Defence in \$500,000
Love Suit in Capital.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.
New York Herald Bureau,
Washington, D. C., Dec. 5.

The defence scored heavily to-day when Hilda Porter Derby, sister of Eliza Porter Humes, former wife of Loring C. Graham, plaintiff in the action, took the witness stand and related certain incidents in the domestic life of her sister.

During the entire married life of Mr. and Mrs. Graham, according to the witness, the husband nagged his wife incessantly and was eternally finding fault that Mrs. Graham was spending too much money rather lavishly on herself.

Mrs. Derby supported the testimony of other witnesses regarding Graham's attitude in regard to household expenses and said that on one occasion he refused to buy his wife fresh eggs, as he considered them too high.

Attorney Wright, counsel for Graham, endeavored to show that the witness's testimony of the witness was untrue, but Mrs. Derby, according to the testimony, was the constant companion of her sister during her married life and lived in the Graham home for a long period.

CHARITY ENTERTAINMENTS.

French Ambassador to Attend
Dance for Hospital.

The French Ambassador and Mme. Jusserand are expected to attend the dance to be held to-night in the new ballroom of the Plaza under the auspices of the woman's auxiliary of the French Hospital of this city. Mrs. Charles H. May is at the head of the auxiliary, and assisting her are Misses Henry Allen, Emily Rena, Walter C. Allen, Henry C. Fleming, Percy R. Turner, Abram E. Kus, J. West Roosevelt, Joseph Stevin, Jr., and Seth M. Miliken. Misses Madeleine Liebert, Almee Delmonico, Marie Louise Contencin, and Teresa O'Donnell.

There will be a sale for the benefit of the Madison Avenue Exchange for Women's Work this afternoon at 11 West Fifty-third street, the home of Mrs. William Barbour. Mrs. Ira Barrow is president of the exchange.

DEER WEEK IN BERKSHIRES.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.
Pittsfield, Mass., Dec. 5.—Deer week opened in the Berkshires to-day with snowless hills, but with ice on the higher mountains. Game wardens estimated to-night that 1,000 hunters were out for venison and about fifty deer were shot in Berkshire county.

Six deer were seen this afternoon by employees on Mrs. Raymond T. Baker's estate, Holbrook, swimming across the lake. Some were said to have been driven down from the mountains.

Under the will as probated Russell Colt and Russell Colt will each receive \$100,000 outright. The estate at Mamamooch, N. Y., was given to Russell Colt and his wife, Ethel Barrymore Colt, during their lives and then to their child or children.

Col. Colt created a trust of his real estate in Bristol and directed that Russell Colt have the use during his life of the so-called homestead estate, while Russell Colt was to have the use of the Colt farm. Of the residuary estate, Col. Colt directed that one-sixth be given to each of the two sons and to Senator Le Baron B. Colt, his brother, and that three-sixths be held in trust and the income be paid to the two sons and to Senator Colt, in equal parts.

What One
Customer Said
Monday Evening

WHEN I consider the character and quality of this jewelry and the disparity between what it brings at auction and what it would cost in retail jewelry establishments, I do not marvel that your auction rooms are filled. The surprising thing to me is, that there isn't a waiting line the length of Vanderbilt Ave.

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'Die Tote Stadt' Has Its Third Performance of the Season at the Metropolitan.

By W. J. HENDERSON.

"Die Tote Stadt," the drama opera of young Erich Wolfgang Korngold, had its third performance last evening at the Metropolitan Opera House. Mme. Marie Jeritza, the Viennese prima donna, made her fourth appearance before opera subscribers, whose interest has undoubtedly been greatly stimulated by the injection of her infectious temperament into the atmosphere of local opera. Just how the Korngoldian drama would fare without her aid can be only a matter of conjecture, but it seems safe to suppose that its vitality would seem to be unfortunately lowered were she removed from the cast.

Of the performances nothing new is to be said. Those concerned in addition to Mme. Jeritza were heard in the last previous presentation of the work. Some changes had been made among the minor characters after the production, but they in no wise altered the nature of the representation. Mme. Jeritza was in good voice and spirit and repeated her admirable impersonation of Marietta with brilliant results. Mr. Harold was again the unhappy spouse who vainly sought to replace the dead wife. Mr. Bodansky conducted.

With Mr. and Mrs. M. Orme Wilson in Box 2 were Mr. and Mrs. George H. Ford, Mr. and Mrs. K. K. Pendleton and Mr. Frank A. Munsey.

Brig-Gen. and Mrs. Charles H. Sharpley's guests in Box 7 were Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Murray Butler, Col. and Mrs. Edward M. House and the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire.

With Mr. and Mrs. Rufus L. Patterson in Box 33 were Mr. and Mrs. Goodhue Livingston, Mr. and Mrs. Casimir de Rham and Mr. Charles Hayden.

With Mr. and Mrs. John N. Willys in Box 25 were Mr. and Mrs. Townsend Morgan and Mr. and Mrs. Harry I. Muller, assisted by Alexander Roman, violinist, who played some solos.

Mr. and Mrs. James W. Gerard, Mr. and Mrs. Bradish G. Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Norman De R. Whitehouse were with Mr. Frederic A. Julliard in Box 2.

With Mr. Reginald C. Vanderbilt in Box 31 were Mr. and Mrs. James J. Deering, Mrs. Herman Knox of Paris, Mrs. Rawson L. Wood and Mr. Samuel P. Hays.

Mr. and Mrs. James Lowell Putnam's guests in Box 23 were Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Laroque, Mrs. John Linzee of Boston and Mr. Campbell W. Stewart.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude B. Deane and Mr. and Mrs. John Wallace Riddle were with Mrs. W. W. Sherman in Box 5.

With Mr. and Mrs. E. Hayward Ferry in Box 11 were Mr. and Mrs. John C. Whitford of London, Mr. and Mrs. William Appleton Burnham and Mr. Frederic Potts Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Y. Dalziel, Miss Diana Dalziel, Miss Ann Elizabeth Kaufman, Messrs. Madison Grant and Ellis L. Loring were in Box 12.

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Mr. Frederic Cortland Penfield was with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kenna and Miss Kenna in Box 14.

The London String Quartet gave the second concert of its second season here in Aeolian Hall last evening. The programme consisted of Mozart's G major quartet, McEwen's in E flat, and Beethoven's in C major. The quartet was a novelty. It was heard for the first time in this country. The composer is a Scotchman and his purpose was to write a chamber work in the style of Beethoven's in C major. He calls his work a "thermody" and his most important thematic idea is "The Flowers of the Forest," a traditional Scotch tune played usually by the pipers at a Scotch funeral.

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The middle section, the allegro, provides the necessary contrast to the first and last movements by its agitated and wild character, fully in accord with the spirit of the Scotch folk song which it covers.

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Mr. Meeker was a son of Nathan C. Meeker of the New York Tribune, who was killed in 1873 by the Ute Indians during a raid on the White River Agency in Western Colorado. Nathan C. Meeker was the founder of Union Colony, Colo. He had the aid of Horace Greeley in this task and his son served as secretary of the colony. This colony later was renamed and is now Greeley, having taken its name from the editor who backed the elder Meeker.

Ralph Meeker lived through the stirring days of frontier life and then went East. Soon after his arrival in New York he joined the staff of the Tribune. He later became real estate editor and had Daniel Frohman as his assistant.

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For fifteen years Mr. Berrian was in the service of the city as an expert in condemnation proceedings. He was born in Fordham. For several years he was president of the Fordham Club. He leaves two daughters, Mrs. William B. Smith and Mrs. J. B. Sheldon.

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